OUR YOUNG FOLKS.

Growing in Grace.

BY LENA DENSMORE.

We grow in grace, if day by day,
We keep in mind to watch and pray,
Walking in the heavenly way.

In the name of Him, who for us died,
We cry for help when sorely tried,
We receive it whatso'er betide.

Of good we sow some scattered seed,
We help to shield the bruised seed,
Supply to want the urgent need.

Then we hope to reach the goal,
For faith, with works, will save a soul,
Though hostile billows round it roll.

Though tempest tossed we struggle on,
Now sad, now cheered till life is gone,
And trust to hear the blessed 'well done.'

DEAR EDITOR:—This is my first attempt to write for the Children's Column. I am eight years old. I go to school every day. Mr. Walters is my teacher. I like him very well. We have two weeks more of school. I am real glad when school is out. My papa and mamma belong to the Brethren church. I will send ten cents for Company E. If I see this in print, I may write again.

OSCAR SMITH.

Hamlin, Kan.

DEAR EDITOR:—This is my first attempt to write for the Children's Column. I am 10 years old. I go to school. Our school will close next Tuesday for the present. My teacher's name is Hez. Spangler. We have Sunday School at the Pony Creek church. I attend every Sunday. I like to read the Children's Column. I would like to see some letters from my cousins in Iowa. I sent in 10 cts. for company E with Captain Frank Yoder. I will now ask the children a question. What king slept on an iron bedstead?

Your little reader,

CORDA LICHTY.

Morrill, Kan.

DEAR EDITOR:—This is my first attempt to write for the Children's Column. I am eleven years old. I go to S. S. nearly every Sunday. Mrs. Samuel Warner is teacher. I like her very much. We live seven miles and a half from the church, but I go every Sunday that I can. Our school will be out in two weeks. I have one mile and a quarter to go to school. I like my teacher very much. His name is Mr. Walters. It is raining now and I think all the farmers are very glad. I will close by sending ten cents to Company E. If I see this in print, I may write again.

LIZZIE GRABILL.

Hamlin, Kan.

Have You A Mother?

Have you a mother? if so, honor and love her. if she is aged, do all in your power to cheer her declining years.

Her hair may have bleached, her eyes may have dimmed, her brow may contain deep and unsightly furrows, her cheeks may be sunken; but you should never forget the holy love and tender care she had for you. In years gone by she has kissed away from your cheek the troubled tear; she has soothed and petted you when all else appeared against you; she watched over and nursed you with a tender care known only to a mother; she has sympathized with you in adversity; she has been proud of your success. You may be despised by all around you, yet that loving mother stands as an apologist for all your shortcomings. With all that disinterested affection, would it not be ungratful in you if in her declining years you failed to reciprocate her and love and honor her as your best, tried friend? We have no respect for a man or woman who neglects an aged mother. If you have a mother, love her, and do all in your power to make her happy.–Christian at work.

Flies and Wolves.

'When visiting a friend in the summer he called my attention to a curious plan for preventing the plague of flies in his house. The upper sash of one of the windows in his sitting-room being opened for ventilation, there was suspended outside a piece of common fishing-net. My friend told me that not a fly would venture to pass through it.

He has watched for an hour at a time, and seen swarms fly to within a few inches of the net, and then, after buzzing about for a little, depart.

He told me the flies would pass through the net if there was a through light—that is, another window in the opposite wall. Though the day was very warm, I did not see a single fly in the room during my visit, though elsewhare in the town they were to be seen in abundance. I suppose they imagine the net to be a spider's web, or some other trap intended for their destruction.

My friend mentioned the fact that in Russia no wolves will pass under telegraph wires, and that the government are utilizing this valuable discovery, and already clearing districts of the country from these brutes.'

If boys and men were as wise as flies and wolves they would keep out of many nets and devil traps.

The Cabinet in Session.

The President presides, seated at the head of the long table, facing north; on his right are seated the Secretary of State, Secretaty of War, and Postmaster-General; on his left are the Secretary of the Treasury, the Secretary of the Navy, and the Attorney-General; and opposite to him, at the foot of the table, is the chair of the Secretary of the Interior. The private secretary occupies a seat at a small desk facing the southern window and near the President. This arrangement is not in accordance with the order of precedence observed by Congress in establishing the Presidential successions. If the Attorney General and Secretary of the Navy should change seats, bringing the former fourth and the latter sixth,—the rank altering across the table,—the order would be strictly correct. The sessions of the Cabinet are informal affairs. No person except those named are premited to enter the room during the council and no official record of the proceedings is kept. The buisness done or discussed coveres all leading subjects belonging to the various branches of administration on which the President may desire information or advice,-department reports concerning special matters of importance, appointments to office, and questions of general administrave policy.—Edmaund Alton in St. Nicholas

Women in the Garden.

Why not? I have at least three personal acquaintances who owe much to old Dame Nature for renewed youth and new beauty of face and form gained by work in the garden. One is a lady of ample fortune, who loves her lawn, with its trees and vines and flowers as things of beauty. I doubt if the thought of health occurs to her, but the effect is patent to all her friends. Another is a lovely little woman who has been ill for years. This season, moving to a new home where friends and acquaintances were scarce, sheer loneliness drove her to her garden. There the needs of the growing things appealed to her, and day by day her visits were repeated, until at last all her morning hours were spent among them, planting, training, weeding, thinning and digging. The result is the renewal of health and strength unknown before for years, and new happiness and greater contentment. The third is a good woman whose sorrows seemed piled mountain high through the loss by death within a few months of her husband and child, and of property as well. Trained to no work as a girl, she seemed helpless. But her little garden demanded attention, and her very losses compelled her to work with her hands. Here, too, the soothing balm of pure air, exercise and occupation worked its marvels in recovered health, contentment and a spirit of self-helpfulness.—Vick's Magazine.

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Kouts			11 01a m	8 25 pm
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Rochester	5-40p m	11 56p m	12 35p m	
Akron		†12 16am	1 01p m	
Bolivar			1 29p m	
Hunt'gt'n Ar	6 55p m	1 15a m	2 25p m	No 18
Hunt'gt'n Lv			2 25p m	6 00 am
Kingsland			3 06p m	6 56a m
Decatur	7 44p m	2 12a m	3 38p m	7 35a m
Enterprise		†2 40a m	4 10p m	8 30a m
Spencerville		3 05a m	4 44p m	9 10a m
Lima	8 54p m	3 28a m	5 12p m	9 45 am
Preston			5 45p m	10 20 am
Kenton	9 43p m	4 15a m	6 16p m	10 54 am
Marion	10 30p m	5 00a m	7 15p m	12 61 am
New York Ar	11 15p m	8 00a m		
Boston	6 15a m	12 40 pm		

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STATIONS.	No. 3.	No. 5.	No. 1.	No. 17.
Marion Lv	11 20 pm	3 14p m	8 00a m	3 30a m
Kenton	12 10 am	3 55p m	8 50a m	4 45a m
Preston			9 17a m	5 25 am
Lima	1 05 am	4 38p m	9 45a m	6 15a m
Spencerville			10 06a m	6 54a m
Enterprise			10 45a m	7 40p m
Decatur	2 27a m	5 30p m	11 26a m	8 40p m
Kingsland			11 58a m	9 26p m
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Hunt'gt'n Ar				10 30p m
,, Lv	3 25a m	6 30p m	1 00p m	
New Madison				
Bolivar			1 43p m	
Akron			2 14p m	
Rochester	4 45a m	8 00p m	2 38p m	
Marshland				No. 15
No. Judson			3 51p m	6 50 am
Kouts			4 25p m	7 22 am
Crown Point	7 25a m	10 25p m	5 16p m	8 13 am
Hammond			6 06p m	8 50 am
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